

METHOD OF CLEANING SURFACES IN CONTACT WITH A FLUID FLOW

ABSTRACT

A method of cleaning a light-transmissive and/or light reflective surface in contact with a fluid flow comprising particles extracted or generated in an oil extraction installation is described. The method comprises providing a source of flushing fluid comprising ozone, providing means for flushing the surface with the flushing fluid, and operating flushing means such that the surface is flushed with the flushing fluid. Apparatus for optically monitoring characteristics of such a fluid flow, the apparatus being adapted to take advantage of the aforementioned method, is also described.